

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks, wherein Claims 11, 13 and 14 are amended and Claim 12 is canceled. Currently, Claims 11 and 13-20 are pending in the present application.

As an initial matter, Applicants express gratitude for the indication of allowed Claims 19 and 20 and allowable subject matter with regard to Claims 12-15. As a result, Claim 11 is amended to include the recitations of allowable Claim 12. As such, it is submitted that independent Claim 11, and the claims depending therefrom, are allowable over the art of record. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections of record and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, or should the Examiner believe a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any remaining issues pertaining to this application, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be contacted at the number indicated below.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit

Account 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully Submitted,

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